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TO:

Refugee Community-Based Organizations

Resettlement Agencies

Other Service Providers and Other Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Arizona Refugee Resettlement Program, Quarterly Public Consultations

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

The Arizona Refugee Resettlement Program (RRP) ascribes considerable importance to the Quarterly Public Consultations, which are open to all resettlement agencies, refugee ethnic organizations, other service providers, and the general public. The Public Consultations provide RRP the opportunity to share information on refugee arrival trends, services for refugees, and new developments. RRP also benefits from the feedback and recommendations from refugee service practitioners, refugees, and the public.

RRP Quarterly Public Consultations are scheduled well in advance in Phoenix and in Tucson, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Listed below are the Consultation dates for calendar year 2006. I encourage you to save these dates on your calendars:

Monday, March 20, 2006 (Tucson)

Tuesday, June 20, 2006 (Phoenix)

Tuesday, September 19, 2006 (Phoenix)

Tuesday, December 19, 2006(Phoenix)

I look forward to seeing you on the Consultation dates above, and should you have any questions or need clarification please do not hesitate to contact the RRP at (602) 542-6626 or (800) 582-5706.

Sincerely,

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State Refugee Coordinator

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